

June 3, 2009

### Special Town Meeting

The Special Town Meeting was called to order by First Selectman John Hodge at 7:35 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, the call of the meeting was read by Janice Zackeo, Town Clerk. Allen Mardis made a motion to accept the call as read, seconded by Grace Scalera. Call passed by voice vote.

First Selectman John Hodge called for nominations for moderator. Peter Viola made a motion to nominate Ronald Oliveri, seconded by Donald Blackwell. Allen Mardis made a motion to close nominations, seconded by Michael Keenan, approved by voice vote. Ronald Oliveri was approved as moderator.

Moderator Oliveri read Resolution #1:

Resolution appropriating \$15,000 for the Milfoil Weevil Control Project within the borders of the Town of New Fairfield and authorizing the issuance of \$15,000 bonds of the town to meet said appropriation and the making of temporary borrowing through Bond Anticipation Notes from the General Fund be approved.

Roger Wise made a motion to move Resolution #1 to the floor, seconded by John Hodge, approved by voice vote. Before discussion began, First Selectman Hodge asked Bob Gates, station manager for First Light Power to take the podium. Mr. Gates announced that after many discussions with First Selectman Hodge, First Light Power was making a donation of \$15,000 for the funding of the weevil project. He brought a check for the \$15,000 needed to fund the experiment, to be presented to Candlewood Lake Authority. Accepting the check for Candlewood Lake Authority, First Selectman Hodge thanked Mr. Gates for the donation and then explained that the bonding proposed in the Resolution would now not be necessary.

Moderator Oliveri then opened Resolution #1 for discussion. After discussion by John Hodge, Alexander Messerle, Grace Scalera, John Glynn, Arlene Schlachter, Thomas Perkins and James McAlister; Resolution #1 was called by Donald Blackwell, seconded by Gerald Neal. Each speaker thanked Mr. Gates of First Light Power for the donation. Motion to call the resolution was approved by voice vote. Moderator Oliveri called for a vote on Resolution #1. After a voice vote, Moderator Oliveri declared Resolution #1 was defeated.

Kim Hanson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Thomas Corbett, approved by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

54 registered voters, 1 property owners and 3 visitors in attendance

Voice Votes

Taped

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice D. Zackeo  
Town Clerk